



+ 8:00 a.m. +
First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025

Collect of the Day |

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The First Lesson | Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
 the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
 and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
 Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
 to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
 and that we may walk in his paths.'
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
 and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
 and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
 and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
 neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
 come, let us walk
 in the light of the Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Second Lesson | Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel | Matthew 24:36-44

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.



Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild	Linda Harris, Katrina Newton, Harriott Kelly
Flower Guild	Alvin Moore, Bill Bedford, Laura DeMars, Dana Aldridge
Sunday Callers	Elvira Mannelly

8:00 a.m.

Preacher/Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride
Lector/Intercessor	Malinda Snow
Eucharistic Minister	Elizabeth Neundorfer

5:00 p.m.

Preacher/Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride
Reader	Meghan Vesel
Host	Lynda Herrig
Usher	Stephen Smith

Worship Notes

Thanksgivings and Memorials

The church Advent wreath is given in loving memory of their parents: Bess Vaughn Clark and Francis G. Clark, Sr., and Helen Wagoner Roper and Robert Lee Roper, by Francis Clark, Jr. and James (Jim) Roper.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and to pause and celebrate the beautiful lives lost over the last 45 years to AIDS. December 1st is World AIDS Remembrance Day.

The altar flowers are also given in loving memory of Claire Vutsas Pinkerton by Mike Pinkerton.

The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God and by Bruce Garner in loving memory of Walter Alan Morgan.

In Our Prayers

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks and pray for the people and clergy of The Church of Ireland.

In our diocese, we give thanks and pray for the people and clergy of St. John's Church in College Park.

In our parish, we pray for the rich and varied array of women's ministries of this parish, for those who lead them and for those who grow in friendship with others because of them.

Birthdays this Week

Sunday | November 23

Eve Attila
Carrie Manning
Ken Stewart
Theo Walker

Monday | December 1

David Gebhardt
Charlotte Rice
Martha Sterne
Meghan Wilson
Bunky Witham

Tuesday | December 2

Keyes Eames
Jilli Robertson

Wednesday | December 3

Andrew Drechsel
Char Leigh Roberts
Shelley Sawyer

Thursday | December 4

Ian Coleman
David DeLaney
George Izard
Danny Johnson
Petronelle Maleko
Polly Nicholas
Skip Smith
Ayesha Thomas

Friday | December 5

Peggy Allumbaugh
Jacob Cole
Grant Grabert
Catherine Hawkins
William Lartey
Edward Lindsey
Mary Moran
Chris Wendt
Winton Noah

Saturday | December 6

Matt Holder
Michael Gagnani
Janet Nelms
Tommy Robinson

Prayer List

Those who are ill

William Woodard
Read Gignilliat, friend of Justin Connell

Those recovering from illness or surgery

Lynne Holley
Wayne Keith
Nontombi Naomi Tutu
Parker Ann Harris,
niece of Pat Pendleton & Melanie Chastain
Joey Kraus,
friend of Jacob Anderson & Chelsea Zhou

New babies

James Wooding Corey,
son of Laura Dickey Corey & Jack Corey;
grandson of Jeannette Dickey

Other concerns

Katie Black, friend of Elizabeth Allan
Ariel & James Kraus,
friends of Jacob Anderson & Chelsea Zhou

Those who have died

Ford Ford
Mark Bell, friend of Alvin Moore
Johnny Daniel, friend of Harriet Shaffer Pope
Jeannie Gillis, friend of Frank Thomas
Dave Heyward, friend of Bruce Garner
Leon E. Proper, father of Leon E. Proper, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, November 30, 2025 — First Sunday of Advent

THIS SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (Traditional Language, no music)
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 5:00 p.m. The Welcome Table (Contemporary Language, music)

ANNOUNCEMENT: The live stream of our Sunday worship services is now available at allsaintsatlanta.org/live and on youtube.com/@AllSaintsATL. Feel free to join us via your preferred platform and be sure to give us a follow!

PARKING: Overflow parking is available at the Bank of America—please enter on North Ave. Get a validation ticket upon entry. Please request an additional validation ticket from an usher in the church narthex upon arrival or exit. Use both validation tickets upon exiting the Bank of America parking deck to park free of charge. The lot at The Varsity is under new management and is no longer available for parking. Ticketing and towing are being enforced. On Sundays, street parking is free.

NURSERY: Our nursery is open for children, ages birth through Pre-K, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Flower Guild Collection for Christmas

On Christmas Eve, the Flower Guild creates a beautiful floral offering, a tradition made possible by the generous donations of this parish. Donations can be made in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one. Please make a donation by December 7 to be listed in the bulletin on Christmas Eve. To donate, please visit: https://form.jotform.com/AllSaints_ATL/christmas-flower-donation-form-2025 or scan the QR code included here. There will also be a table in the courtyard between services on Sundays, November 30 and December 7.



All Saints' Giving Tree — *Sundays through December 14, Ellis Hall Foyer*

Please join us to learn how to give a gift for Midtown Assistance Center (MAC), FOCUS (for medically fragile children), Emmaus House at Threads, and Refugee Ministries, or contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org for information.

Join Us for Sunday Breakfast — *Sunday Breakfast, 7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m., Ellis Hall*

Come join us! Meet new families, reconnect with friends, and enjoy a delicious meal together.
Cost: \$12 for adults & \$7 for children.

Advent Adventure — *Sunday, November 30, 10:30 a.m., Ellis Hall*

Join us for Advent Adventure where we will have activities for all ages that will help families understand and celebrate Advent at home. The annual Flower Guild Advent wreath-making with kits and greenery will be available to purchase. Please volunteer by bringing evergreen branches to decorate your wreath and some branches to share with others from your yard, or helping with the wreath-making, at a craft table, or set-up and/or clean up. To volunteer, contact Kathy Roberts at kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Jesus on the Front Page — *Sundays, 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m., Parish House P307*

In this weekly Sunday morning discussion of a current news story, participants reflect on how we are called to live as faithful people. In a nonpartisan reflection, we explore how we might be called to pray differently, think differently or act differently in our private and public lives. Email Clark Lemons clemons@emory.edu if you have questions!

St. Helena's Hellfire Pepper Jelly Sale — *Sundays in November, 10:00 a.m. -11:10 a.m., Ellis Hall Foyer*

Saint Helena's famous Hellfire Pepper Jelly is going on sale between services beginning November 2. Get your stocking stuffers and hostess gifts before it sells out. This annual fundraiser supports women and children in need.

The Welcome Table: Sunday Evening Worship Service and Dinner — *Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Chapel and Ellis Hall*

We invite you to come to *The Welcome Table*, a service with singing, communion and Prayer accompanied by The Welcome Table Jazz combo. A community dinner for all participants follows the service in Ellis Hall. The cost is \$10 for adults and no charge for children under 18 years of age.

An Exciting Art Collaboration At All Saints! In the spring of next year, All Saints' will collaborate with our artist-in-residence, Aysha Pennerman, to create a mural on the concrete base of the Pritchett Center parking deck along Spring Street and Ponce. The project is being made possible via a significant investment from Midtown Alliance, a grant awarded to Aysha, and generous donations from All Saints' parishioners. The mural focuses on the theme of hope and will feature 3-D doves that will be attached to the railings of the upper parking deck, and images and color that will draw people to the vibrancy of our city block and the hope and healing that happens down the street at Covenant Community and the Midtown Assistance Center. For the thousands of people who pass us by on Spring Street each week, the mural will offer inspiration and a clear expression of our values as a church. You are invited to view banners illustrating the mural design on Spring and Ponce. There are also postcards around the campus asking you to name what you hope for. We want to hear your feedback and ideas for the message the mural could send the city. Please contact Simon, the rector, for more information or to share your thoughts: smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGES!

If you haven't made your pledge yet – there is still time!

We're so grateful to everyone who has already made a 2026 pledge. As of November 17th, we are 10% away from our goal with 542 pledging households. Every gift matters and makes a difference.

Pledge now at allsaintsatlanta.org/pledge, by mail, or with the tear-out card below.

Thank you for helping us shine more brightly by making your pledge today!





PLEDGE / COMMITMENT CARD

Name _____

Email _____

Cell # _____

For 2026 I/we commit a total of
\$ _____



To pledge, scan the QR code above or cut out this card and place it in the offering basket. Thank you for your generosity!

All Saints' offers other easy ways to pay your pledge or to make a gift:

Give online: allsaintsatlanta.org/give

Mail a check: to All Saints' Church, 634 W. Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA 30308

During Services: put a check, cash, or the tear-out card in the offering plate

Direct Electronic Transfer: gift stocks and securities

QR code: one-time gifts



If you have questions, please e-mail them to: jlockhart@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Have You Moved Recently?

Let the church know your new address and contact information!

To update these details, contact our *Membership Coordinator*, Betsey Gibbs, at bgibbs@allsaintsatlanta.org.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Welcome the Joy of Christmas with Coro Vocati
Sunday, December 14, 2:30 p.m., Church

Experience the spirit of Christmas with Coro Vocati—an evening filled with warmth, joy, and community through music. A treasured tradition at All Saints', this concert leads you on a musical journey across the centuries, blending cherished carols with inspired new works. Part of the Music at All Saints' concert series. Tickets and details at <https://www.corovocati.org/events>.

ADULT FORMATION

The Journey Bible Study — *Mondays, 11:00 a.m., Zoom*
Chapter by chapter, book by book, we are learning together about what the Scripture really says according to the best scholarship of today. Currently, we are studying the prophet, Amos. All are welcome. To join the group, email The Rev. Karen Evans at kevans@allsaintsatlanta.org.

One Parish, One Book

Sunday morning, November 30, December 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 a.m. – 11:05 a.m., Ross Room, or Tuesday evening, December 2, 9, 16, & 23, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Zoom

During the seasons of Advent, the entire parish will read one book together and gather over four weeks for small group discussion, in person during the Sunday morning formation period or over Zoom on Tuesday evenings. Before and during Advent we will read Isaac Samuel Villegas' *Migrant God: A Christian Vision for Immigrant Justice*. Purchase a copy wherever books are sold. Contact Jenny McBride at jmcbride@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Advent Women's Retreat,
sponsored by the Women's Intergenerational Group
*Saturday, December 6, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.,
Chapel & Ellis Hall*

Join fellow parishioners for a meditative, partial day, Advent retreat, led by Rev. Dr. Jenny McBride, as we reflect on "All the Marys:" Mary the Mother of Jesus, Mary of Bethany, and Mary Magdalene — each of whom defy expectations of patriarchy and offer compelling examples of courageous faith. We will gather in the chapel and prepare ourselves for the season through song, biblical reflection, icons, film clips, and a labyrinth walk.

Walking the Mourner's Path

Next group starts January 28, 2026

"My heart is broken not my leg." Nneenna Freelon sang that at Jazz at All Saints about how invisible grief can be. If you have lost a loved one Walking the Mourner's Path is a place you can be seen by others also experiencing grief. Contact Karen Evans at kevans@allsaintsatlanta.org.

PARISH LIFE

The Name Tag Nook:

Name Tag Station in Parish House
Name tags are now stored in a beautiful, custom-built vestibule in the Parish House. To request a nametag, please scan this QR code:



Free to Be Saints Christmas Sing-A-Long
Thursday, December 4, 11:30 a.m., Ellis Hall

Join us for our annual Christmas sing-a-long, where Scott Lamlein and Andy Barnett will be back to lead us in all our favorite holiday songs, and our talented Chef Sam will be cooking up a festive lunch. Come for the music, stay for the merriment, and kick off the season with laughter, friendship, and joy. Reservation fee: \$16. Register here: <https://bit.ly/FTBSSsing>. For more information, contact Julie Lockhart at jlockhart@allsaintsatlanta.org.

St. Nicholas Feast and Celebration

*Wednesday, December 3,
5:00 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. dinner seatings, Ellis Hall;
Celebration at 6:05 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Church*

Join us as we kick off this holiday season by celebrating St. Nicholas with singing, ringing, storytelling, and dinner. Two dinner seatings at Candy Cane Lane (Ellis Hall) will be offered for our catered holiday feast. RSVP online at https://bit.ly/ASEC_StNicholas2025. Between seatings, join us to hear a magical telling of the story of St. Nicholas of Myra in the Church, followed by the Primary and Junior Choirs and bell ringers leading us in carols. Rumor has it that the old Saint might even pay us a visit! Children's Ministries will be conducting a sock drive, for new socks of all sizes for Threads as part of this evening. You can drop off your donations in Ellis Hall during dinner or in the Narthex before the celebration. For more information, contact Kathy Roberts at kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Children's Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 21, 9:00 a.m., Church

All children of any age are invited to become part of the story of Jesus' birth in our non-rehearsed, low-stress Christmas Pageant. We have costumes that kids can choose from or you can create your own. Meet up on the 2nd floor of the Pritchett center to get a costume between 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m., then follow the story in the bulletin for when your child should come up to join the story. A milestone moment of leadership for 4th and 5th graders is to be one of the main characters whose role is to model and shepherd all the younger kids joining in the story. They will meet at 8:15 a.m. on the 2nd floor of Pritchett to dress and run through where and when they will enter. Several parent volunteers are needed to help kids get costumes on before the service. To volunteer, contact Kathy Roberts at kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Children's Church, November 9, 9:00 a.m.
2nd fl Pritchett, gathering 8:45 a.m., service 9:00 a.m.
We will join you in church at the Peace.

Children's Formation (Sundays)
2nd fl Pritchett, 10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. Doors open after See You at Ten (10:00 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.) in courtyard.

Youth Formation (Sundays)
3rd fl Pritchett (The Attic), 10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
Doors open after See You at Ten (10:00 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.) in courtyard.

SNL & Y'all Saints (Sundays)
3rd fl Pritchett (The Attic), 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Children's Choirs (Wednesdays)

- Cherub Choir (PK-K) 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Primary Choir (Grades 1-2): 4:35 p.m. - 5:10 p.m.
- Junior Choir (Grades 3-6): 5:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Junior Handbells (Grades 4-6): 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth Choir (Grade 7-12) (Sundays)

- Handbells: 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Choir: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Fellowship Online!

Are you in your 20s or 30s and interested in fellowship, discipleship, and service? Reach out to Piper Shifflett, *Young Adult Coordinator*, at youngadults@allsaintsatlanta.org to receive our monthly newsletter, get added to the WhatsApp group chat and find out what events we have coming up!

SERVICE

Christmas Parties for Refugee Ministries and FOCUS

Volunteers are needed for the following holiday parties:

- December 13, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Nepali American Refugee Ministries Christmas party at First Nepali Church in Stone Mountain
- December 20, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Refugee Ministries Christmas party in The Attic at All Saints'
- December 20, 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m., FOCUS Christmas party in Ellis Hall

Families with children/teens are welcome and I am happy to provide service hours. To volunteer, contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Threads Welcomes Families For Shopping

At Threads, every Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., our doors open wide to welcome families for in-store shopping — not just for clothing, but for a sense of comfort, dignity, and a renewed sense of hope and joy. If you've ever wanted to make a meaningful difference, this is your invitation. Whether you can lend a few hours or come regularly, your presence matters. You'll be part of a beautiful mission that wraps families in love.

There are many ways that you can help Threads Kids

- Drop off gently worn, clean children's clothes
- Shop our Amazon wish list: bit.ly/ASECThreadsWishlist
- Make a financial contribution and be sure to click Threads Donation in the drop box:
<https://onrealm.org/AllSaintsEpisco85474/-/form/give/now>

Thank you for caring.

Link to Amateur Photography Request:

mailto: communications@allsaintsatlanta.org

subject: All Saints' Photography – Parishioner Submission

SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry met on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 4:30 P.M.

Simon opened the meeting and Vestry members shared thanksgivings for the many gifts of All Saints'.

Sheldon Taylor delivered the Treasurer's update and noted that the Finance Committee projects that All Saints' will finish 2025 with a balanced budget.

Meg Fogel updated the Vestry on the work of the Egleston Task Force. The task force has added three additional members, who are parishioners with relevant professional experience, bringing the total number of members to six. The task force is in the process of selecting a project management firm that will assist with project management for the work to be done on Egleston, including project scope, architect selection and contractor bids and selection. Simon reviewed the Church's major giving initiative, and Julie Lockhart updated the Vestry on the 2026 Annual Canvass. Nancy Dodson discussed a renewed effort to keep our campus and buildings clean and free of clutter. Finally, the Vestry discussed All Saints' new chef, Chef Sam, and options for additional catered gatherings for our Church community.

The meeting closed with prayer and was adjourned.

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